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#### THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Counties.—Guadalupe, Caldwell, Hays, San Saba, Blanco, Llano and McCulloch.

Senator L. J. Storey is a native of Georgia, from which State he moved to Texas in 1845. At present he resides at Lockhart, in Caldwell county, where he is engaged successfully in the practice of law. As a lawyer he has secured the confidence and esteem of the bar, and is recognized as a practitioner of consummate energy and decided ability.

Mr. Storey is a gentleman of strong Southern sentiment, and served through the entire war as a Confederate officer of distinction. In politics he is a Democrat. In the legislative canvass of 1872 he became a candidate

for a seat in the lower house of the Thirteenth Legislature, and was elected by the Democrats of his district by a handsome majority. In the Legislature he made an able, true and earnest legislator, advocating what his conscience dictated as right, and in doing so he became in no wise the enemy of those who honestly opposed him. His constituency, recognizing the worth of their Representative, re-elected him to the lower house of the Fourteenth Legislature, where he again served them with all the ability at his command. He is a good parliamentarian, an earnest speaker, and an untiring committeeman. It has been the pleasure of his people to elect him for the third time to the Legislature. He was the Democratic candidate for the Senatorship, and was elected, with little or no opposition. is always at his post of duty in the Senate, and besides being a very efficient member of the Committees on Judiciary, Educational Affairs, Public Debt, and others, he is chairman of the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Storey is forty-one years old, and a man of family. He is possessed of a fine constitution, and more than the ordinary share of energy given to men.